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- Five people were killed by the Valley and Butte fires that collectively burned over 145,000 acres in northern California, destroyed 585 structures, and forced 20,000 people to evacuate by September 17. – *Reuters* (See item [18](#))
- Apple released software updates adding new capabilities and addressing over 100 vulnerabilities in iOS, Mac OS X, iTunes, Xcode, and others. – *Securityweek* (See item [23](#))
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- U.S. officials reported September 18 that American-based companies are now able to open up offices, stores, and warehouses in Cuba after a regulation was issued easing restrictions and opening up travel. – *Reuters* (See item [27](#))

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## **Energy Sector**

Nothing to report

## **Chemical Industry Sector**

Nothing to report

## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector**

Nothing to report

## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

1. *September 18, WFLA 8 Tampa* – (Florida) **Fire at Largo warehouse under investigation.** Authorities waited for the all clear to be issued before investigating the cause of a 2-alarm fire September 18 at Sun Glo Plating in Largo, Florida that caused extensive damage to a warehouse and released dangerous chemicals inside the building, prompting a HAZMAT response.  
Source: <http://wfla.com/2015/09/18/fire-at-largo-warehouse/>
2. *September 17, Autoblog* – (National) **Toyota recalls 423.5k RAV4s for faulty windshield wipers.** Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc., announced a recall September 17 for 421,000 model years 2009 – 2012 RAV4 and 2,500 model years 2012 – 2014 RAV4 EV vehicles due to an issue with windshield wipers in which water can corrode the link between the wiper and motor crank arm, causing the wipers to possibly fail over time.  
Source: <http://www.autoblog.com/2015/09/17/toyota-rav4-windshield-wiper-recall/>

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

Nothing to report

## **Financial Services Sector**

3. *September 17, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (National) **SEC charges clearing firm officials for improper margin loans, accounting and disclosure failures.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged 4 Penson Financial Services officials September 17 for alleged accounting and disclosure failures that resulted in loaning nearly \$100 million in margin loans secured by impaired, unrated municipal bonds that cost investors \$60 million. The SEC filed a separate complaint against a customer who benefited from one of the margin loans, for allegedly fraudulently obtaining \$6.8 million in loans or credit from Penson.  
Source: <http://www.sec.gov/news/pressrelease/2015-194.html>

4. *September 17, U.S. Attorney's Office District of Kansas* – (Kansas) **Shawnee Mission man pleads guilty to \$6 million embezzlement.** A Shawnee Mission man pleaded guilty September 16 to embezzling over \$6 million from Overland Park-based Commodity Specialists Company by creating fake companies and by billing CSC for fake deliveries and associated invoices. The suspect also failed to report the income on Federal tax returns.  
Source: <http://www.justice.gov/usao-ks/pr/shawnee-mission-man-pleads-guilty-6-million-embezzlement>

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## **Transportation Systems Sector**

5. *September 17, Green Valley News* – (Arizona) **Suspect facing charges connected to mail theft, check washing.** A Green Valley man was charged September 17 on 3 accounts of forgery and 1 charge of fraudulent schemes and artifice, among other charges for allegedly stealing mail from U.S. Postal Service collection boxes and altering checks in Arizona August 25. An investigation continues to find further accomplices.  
Source: [http://www.gvnews.com/news/updated-suspect-facing-charges-connected-to-mail-theft-check-washing/article\\_6452b9a0-5cb0-11e5-b9a2-cb7e056ac14c.html](http://www.gvnews.com/news/updated-suspect-facing-charges-connected-to-mail-theft-check-washing/article_6452b9a0-5cb0-11e5-b9a2-cb7e056ac14c.html)

## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

6. *September 17, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (National) **FSIS issues public health alert for stuffed chicken products due to possible Salmonella contamination.** The Food Safety and Inspection Service reported September 17 that frozen, raw, stuffed and breaded chicken products produced by Aspen Foods, a division of Chicago-based Koch Poultry Company, have been confirmed as having the same Salmonella Enteritidis outbreak that was part of a July 15 recall. An investigation remains ongoing.  
Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/newsroom/news-releases-statements-and-transcripts/news-release-archives-by-year/archive/2015/pha-091715>
7. *September 17, CNN* – (Minnesota) **Tomatoes the cause of Chipotle's salmonella outbreak in Minnesota.** Minnesota health officials confirmed September 17 that tomatoes were the cause of a Salmonella Newport outbreak at 22 different Chipotle restaurants after 64 cases of illnesses were reported from consumers. Officials are investigating which farm the tomatoes were distributed from.  
Source: <http://wtvr.com/2015/09/17/tomatoes-the-cause-of-chipotles-salmonella-outbreak-in-minnesota/>
8. *September 17, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (New York) **Butala Emporium, Inc. recalls eleven Ayurvedic Dietary Supplements because of elevated levels of lead and mercury.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported September 15 that Jackson Heights, New York-based Butala Emporium, Inc., is voluntarily recalling eleven Ayurvedic supplements after officials discovered that the products contained high levels of lead and mercury. The products were distributed through retail stores in

New York and through Internet sales.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm463048.htm>

## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

9. *September 18, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Nearly 5,000 gallons of sewage spilled near Hope Mills.** Fayetteville Public Works Commission reported September 18 that more than 4,600 gallons of untreated wastewater spilled into a creek outside of Hope Mills, North Carolina, after a pump system failed while contractors were working on a sewer line. The equipment has been repaired and the North Carolina Division of Water Resources was noticed.  
Source: <http://www.wect.com/story/30062307/nearly-5000-gallons-of-sewage-spilled-near-hope-mills>
10. *September 17, WAPT 16 Jackson* – (Mississippi) **Water main break prompts boil water advisory.** Jackson officials issued a boil water advisory September 17 for Murray High School and about 100 connections in Arizona after a water main broke. Crews repaired the rupture, but officials estimate the advisory will stay in effect for at least 2 days.  
Source: <http://www.wapt.com/news/central-mississippi/jackson/water-main-break-in-near-fondren/35334614>
11. *September 17, Huntington Beach Independent* – (California) **Sewage spill may keep 3 Huntington Harbour marinas closed for days.** The Orange County Health Care Agency closed Sunset Aquatic Marina, Peter's Landing, and Portofino Cove Marina to swimming and diving September 16 after an estimated 12,000 gallons of sewage spilled into the marinas. Officials estimate it may take several days before the water is safe to enter.  
Source: <http://www.hbindependent.com/news/tn-hbi-me-0924-sewage-spill-20150917,0,5049646.story>

## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

Nothing to report

## **Government Facilities Sector**

12. *September 18, KNTV 11 San Jose* – (California) **Pleasanton police investigate bomb threat at high school: Parents, students.** Amador Valley High School in Pleasanton was closed September 18 while police investigated a threat on the campus.  
Source: <http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/Amador-Valley-High-in-Pleasanton-Shut-Down-as-Police-Investigate-Bomb-Threat-328191191.html>
13. *September 18, Associated Press* – (Ohio) **Columbus school bus crash sends 8 students to hospital.** An accident involving a Columbus City Schools bus left 8 Walnut Ridge High School students and 2 drivers injured when the bus collided with another vehicle near the school September 17.

- Source: <http://wdtn.com/2015/09/18/columbus-school-bus-crash-sends-8-students-to-hospital/>
14. *September 17, KYW 3 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Bed bugs found in 311 call center in City Hall.** A bed bug found in the City Hall at Philadelphia's 3-1-1 call center prompted the closure of the center September 17 while crews fumigated the building.  
Source: <http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2015/09/17/workers-find-bedbugs-in-philadelphia-city-hall/>
  15. *September 17, Al.com* – (Alabama) **Lock down lifted after bomb threats at 2 Autauga County schools, courthouse.** Police cleared the scene after Marbury Middle School, Prattville High School, and Autauga County Courthouse in Alabama were all evacuated for more than 2 hours September 17 due to a series of hoax bomb threats. Authorities are continuing to investigate the source of the threats.  
Source: [http://www.al.com/news/montgomery/index.ssf/2015/09/2\\_autauga\\_county\\_schools\\_court.html](http://www.al.com/news/montgomery/index.ssf/2015/09/2_autauga_county_schools_court.html)
  16. *September 17, Long Island Newsday* – (New York) **Hackers breach Commack High School computer system, district officials say.** New York school officials reported September 17 that an individual broke into Commack High School's computer data network which contains class schedules, student identification numbers, names, and addresses. Officials reported that there was no evidence that the students' information was downloaded or misused and that Suffolk police have identified a suspect  
Source: <http://www.newsday.com/long-island/education/hackers-breach-commack-high-school-computer-system-district-officials-say-1.10857943>
  17. *September 17, Anderson Independent Mail* – (South Carolina) **SLED says ex-Clemson staffer stole \$216K.** The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division reported that a former Clemson University support staffer was charged September 16 in connection to allegedly stealing over \$216,000 from the university by fraudulently using the funds to obtain about 231 Apple computer devices without authorization, which she later sold for personal profit from July 2012 to March 2015.  
Source: [http://www.independentmail.com/news/sled-says-exclemson-staffer-stole-216k\\_99535345](http://www.independentmail.com/news/sled-says-exclemson-staffer-stole-216k_99535345)
  18. *September 17, Reuters* – (California) **Death toll in northern California wildfires jumps to five.** Five people were killed by the Valley and Butte fires that collectively have burned over 145,000 acres in northern California, destroyed 585 structures, and forced 20,000 people to evacuate by September 17. Crews reached 35 percent containment of the Valley Fire and 55 percent containment of the Butte Fire.  
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/09/18/us-usa-wildfires-idUSKCN0RC0J720150918>

For another story, see item [10](#)

## Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

## Information Technology Sector

19. *September 18, SC Magazine* – (International) **VMware addresses vulnerability in vCenter server.** VMware released an update addressing a certificate validation vulnerability in select versions of its vCenter Server which an attacker could exploit to intercept traffic between the vCenter Server and the Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) server to capture sensitive information.  
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/vmware-addresses-vulnerability-in-vcenter-server/article/439279/>
20. *September 18, Softpedia* – (International) **D-Link accidentally publishes code signing keys.** A Norwegian developer and researchers from Fox-IT discovered that D-Link inadvertently released private code signing keys along with a recent firmware update following the purchase of the company's DCS-5020L surveillance camera. D-Link revoked the certificate and published new versions of the firmware that do not contain the code signing keys.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/d-link-accidentally-publishes-code-signing-keys-492032.shtml>
21. *September 18, Help Net Security* – (International) **Critical Bugzilla flaw allows access to unpatched vulnerability information.** Mozilla released an update addressing a critical vulnerability in its Bugzilla bug-tracking software in which an attacker could gain access to information about a project's unpatched flaws by tricking the system into granting domain-specific privileges. Attackers can create an account with an email address different than originally requested due to a vulnerability where login names longer than 127 characters could cause the domain name of the email address to be corrupted.  
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=18868>
22. *September 18, Help Net Security* – (International) **Malicious SYNful Cisco router implant found on more devices across the globe.** Security researchers followed recent FireEye findings of SYNful modified malicious router firmware with four scans of public IPv4 addresses and found that 79 hosts displayed behavior consistent with the SYNful Knock implant, including 25 in the U.S. which belong to a single East Coast service provider.  
Source: [http://www.net-security.org/malware\\_news.php?id=3104](http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=3104)
23. *September 17, Securityweek* – (International) **Apple patches vulnerabilities in iOS, OS X, iTunes, Xcode.** Apple released software updates adding new capabilities and addressing over 100 vulnerabilities in iOS, Mac OS X, iTunes, and Xcode, including a security flaw in AirDrop that could allow an attacker to send malicious files to an affected device within Bluetooth range, 33 vulnerabilities affecting WebKit, and 9

relating to CFNetwork, among others.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/apple-patches-vulnerabilities-ios-os-x-itunes-xcode>

24. *September 17, Network World* – (International) **Under DDoS attack? It could just be a distraction.** Kaspersky Lab released findings from polling of managers and information technology professionals at 5,500 companies in 26 countries revealing that three-quarters of distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks are accompanied by other security incidents, implying that the attacks are often used as a diversion tactic and that businesses should keep resources available to manage corporate security in its entirety. Source: <http://www.computerworld.com/article/2984606/security/under-ddos-attack-it-could-be-just-a-distraction.html>

### Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at [soc@us-cert.gov](mailto:soc@us-cert.gov) or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <http://www.it-isac.org>

## Communications Sector

25. *September 17, Reuters* – (California) **Comcast reaches \$33 mln settlement with California privacy violations.** Comcast Corp reached a \$33 million settlement with California Department of Justice and the California Public Utilities Commission September 17 over allegations that Comcast disclosed about 75,000 customers' names, phone numbers, and addresses online over a 2-year period after each customer paid for unlisted Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP). Comcast will refund all fees paid for unlisted service and pay each customer an additional \$100. Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/09/17/comcast-settlement-idUSL1N11N3GJ20150917>

For additional stories, see items [23](#) and [27](#)

## Commercial Facilities Sector

26. *September 18, KNBC 4 Los Angeles* – (California) **Explosion wakes Irvine condo residents before escape from 'giant' fire.** An overnight 3-alarm fire displaced 15 people after destroying 6 condos in Orange County September 18. The damages were estimated to about \$1 million and \$500,000 for the content inside the properties. Source: <http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/Fire-Destroys-Condos-Cars-in-Irvine-328162471.html>
27. *September 18, Reuters* – (International) **U.S. moves to open up business with Cuba, ease embargo.** U.S. officials reported September 18 that American-based companies including Internet-based services, business operations, banking and remittances, travel services, and telecommunication companies are now able to open up offices, stores, and



warehouses in Cuba after a regulation was issued that eased restrictions and opened up travel. The regulations also increase educational opportunities by allowing Internet-based courses and further expanding humanitarian efforts through disaster relief.

Source: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/us-moves-to-open-up-business-with-cuba-ease-embargo/ar-AAestRP>

28. *September 18, Oakland Press* – (Michigan) **Large fire damages 16 units at Novi apartment complex.** A large fire evacuated dozens of residents and damaged 16 units at the Glens of Northville apartments in Novi September 17, prompting fire crews to remain on site for several hours extinguishing the flames. There were no reports of injuries and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.  
Source: <http://www.theoaklandpress.com/general-news/20150917/large-fire-damages-16-units-at-novi-apartment-complex>
29. *September 17, Rochester Post-Bulletin* – (New York) **Renters warehouse fined \$150,000 by state.** The Minnesota Department of Commerce cited the Twin Cities office of Renters Warehouse \$150,000 for a variety of offenses including overcharging for bounce checks and for its Rochester franchise allegedly selling insurance without a license with their Eviction Protection Plan and Property Protection Plan.  
Source: [http://www.postbulletin.com/business/renters-warehouse-fined-by-state/article\\_d0f4cd07-9be4-5bc8-9250-be8640c3edd7.html](http://www.postbulletin.com/business/renters-warehouse-fined-by-state/article_d0f4cd07-9be4-5bc8-9250-be8640c3edd7.html)

## **Dams Sector**

30. *September 16, Lawrence Eagle Tribune* – (Massachusetts) **Crews scramble to fix dam breach.** Officials reported September 16 that the Ballardvale Dam in Andover, Massachusetts, was scheduled to undergo emergency construction after its sluiceway broke open September 12 and additional erosion ensued September 14 following a heavy rain storm that led to the breach. Officials estimated repairs to begin September 16.  
Source: [http://www.andovertownsman.com/news/local\\_news/heavy-rain-damages-ballardvale-dam/article\\_05ecd586-266a-553f-9a3a-485e94e6299e.html](http://www.andovertownsman.com/news/local_news/heavy-rain-damages-ballardvale-dam/article_05ecd586-266a-553f-9a3a-485e94e6299e.html)





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